

Insurances.

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.
(ESTABLISHED A.D. 1824).
CAPITAL £2,000,000
Total Funds and Securities £2,480,063
Net Annual Premium £767,478

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the above Company we are prepared to accept European and Chinese RISKS at Current Rates.

HOLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 1, 1896. 19

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1894, £1,071,018 2s. 2d.
Authorized Capital £3,000,000 0s. 0d.
Subscribed Capital £2,750,000 0s. 0d.
Paid-up Capital £2,687,500 0s. 0d.
Fire Fund £2,410,992 7s. 3d.
Revenue Fire Branch £1,646,866 18s. 7d.

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SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.
13 July, 1896. 1300

THE EMPRESS ASSURANCE CORPORATION, LIMITED.

FIRE AND MARINE.

WE Have This Day been appointed Agents and are prepared to accept RISKS at Current Rates.

HOLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 28, 1896. 692

UNION ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

(Instituted in the Reign of Queen Anne A.D. 1714).

CAPITAL FULLY SUBSCRIBED, £450,000.
CAPITAL PAID UP, £130,000.
TOTAL INVESTED FUNDS EXCEEDED £2,700,000.
TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME, £250,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS of the above Society in Hongkong, is prepared to issue Policies against FIRE on the usual terms.

HARRY WICKING,
Franchise Agent.

Intimations.

UP THE YANGTSE, BY E. H. PARKER, with SKETCH MAPS.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS).

JAVA-HONGKONG-YOKOHAMA-Kobe-AMOI-HONGKONG-SINGAPORE-JAVA.

FROM HONGKONG TO JAVA.

S.S. *Federatia*, May 29th, 1896.
S.S. *Germania*, June 5th, 1896.
S.S. *Cassius*, July 3rd, 1896.

TO JAPAN.

S.S. *Cassius*, June 2nd, 1896.
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Shipping.

Steamers.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOI AND TAIWANFOO.

The Co.'s Steamship *Sailing*, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 27th Instant, at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARBAKE & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, May 26, 1896. 1074

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA.

The Steamship *Sailing*, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 27th Instant.

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Hongkong, May 21, 1896. 1020

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

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Hongkong, May 25, 1896. 1073

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FOR TIENTSIN (DIRECT).

The Co.'s Steamship *Sailing*, Capt. STAKES, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 30th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, May 25, 1896. 1066

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).

The Co.'s Steamship *Sailing*, Capt. D. SMITH, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 4th June, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, May 25, 1896. 1067

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-EUROPE LINE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, PORT SAID, MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP.

The Chartered Steamer *Aganoharu*, will be despatched for the above Ports about THURSDAY, the 4th of June.

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Hongkong, May 18, 1896. 1022

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FOR MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG.

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The Co.'s Steamship *Deike Rikmers*, Captain SEIZER, will be despatched for the above Ports about FRIDAY, the 6th June.

For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 22, 1896. 962

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship *Tatsumi*, Captain PURDY, will be despatched for the above Ports about FRIDAY, the 6th June.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, May 21, 1896. 1044

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

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For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, May 21, 1896. 1062

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For Freight, apply to SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, April 13, 1896. 762

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Address: Care of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Mails.

NOTICE.

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STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX.

ALSO PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

TO-MORROW, the 27th day of May, at Noon, the Company's Steamship *SPONZY*, Commandant AUGUST, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave for PORT SAID, SUEZ, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, and MARSEILLES.

The Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the *Ville de la Chate*, which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails, leaving that Port on the 8th June, direct to SUEZ, PORT SAID AND MARSEILLES.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 26th May. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

Hongkong, May 26, 1896. 992

O TOURAIRE, Acting Agent.

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STEAM FOR STRAITS, OCEAN, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship *MIRZAPUR*, Captain J. R. LONDON, R.N.R., carrying Her Majesty's Letters, will be despatched from this Port for BOMBAY, ADEN, on THURSDAY, the 4th June, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

(This Steamer connects at Bombay with the S.S. *PENINSULAR*, leaving that Port on the 26th JUNE, for LONDON Direct).

Silk and Valuable all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed to Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to H. A. RICHIE, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, May 21, 1896. 1048

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.

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Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

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All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

Cumulative Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 1, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, May 13, 1896. 991

U. S. Mail Line.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Peking (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu), SUNDAY, June 7, at daylight.

China (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu), THURSDAY, June 25, at noon.

Pera (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu), SUNDAY, July 12, at daylight.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship *CITY OF PEKING* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SUNDAY, the 7th June, at Daylight, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Passengers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and PACIFIC COAST RAILWAYS, and from Chicago to destination, the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-shipment to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, to Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamships, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Parcels will be received on board until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 6 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Cumulative Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in San Francisco, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 1, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, May 21, 1896. 1048

Accidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKEING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Gaio (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu), SATURDAY, May 30, at noon.

Doria (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu), TUESDAY, June 16, at noon.

Belgia (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu), SATURDAY, July 4, at noon.

THE Steamship *GAIO* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 30th May, at Noon, connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

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Gaio (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu), SATUR

